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Summer is a coming in.

CANON IN THE UNISON. *

[London: J ALFRED NOVELLO, 69, Dean Street, Soho, and 24, Poultry.]

Pastorale.

1st TREBLE. *p* Sum - mer is a come . ing in, . . Loud - ly sing cuc - koo.

2nd TREBLE. *p* Sum - mer is a com - ing

3rd TREBLE.

4th TREBLE.

ACCOMP. *p* Met. $\text{♩} = 132$.

Grow - eth seed, and blow - eth mead, and spring - eth wood a - new.

in, . . Loud - ly sing cuc - koo. Grow - eth seed, and blow - eth

p Sum - mer is a com - ing in, . . Loud - ly sing cuc - koo.

p Sum - mer is a com - ing

* This is the most ancient English composition in harmony extant. It is preserved in the British Museum (Harl. MS. 978,) and is considered, by Burney and Hawkins, to be of the fifteenth century. Ritson refers its date to "as early a period, at least, as the year 1250;" and the editor has the authority of Sir Frederick Madden, keeper of the MSS. in the British Museum, to state that there cannot be a doubt as to both words and music having been written in the early half of the thirteenth century. The editor has followed an ancient transcript in the Pepysian Library, which omits the two bass parts forming the burden, in the Museum copy, and has added an accompaniment upon a drone bass. The effect produced is considerably improved.—*Rimbauld's Ancient Vocal Music of England*, (No. 13, price 9d.)

SUMMER IS A COMING IN.

Sing cuc - - koo. Ewe . . bleat - eth af - ter
mead and spring - eth, wood a - new. Sing cuc - - koo.
Grow - eth seed, and blow - eth mead, and spring - eth wood a - new.
in, . . Loud - ly sing cuc - koo. Grow - eth seed, and blow - eth

lamb, and af - ter calf . . cow; bul - lock start - eth, buck he
Ewe . . bleat - eth af - ter lamb, and af - ter calf . cow;
Sing cuc - - koo. Ewe . . bleat - eth af - ter
mead, and spring - eth wood a - new. Sing cuc - - koo,

rest - eth, mer - ry sing - cuc koo, cuc - - koo, cuc - -
bul - lock start - eth, buck he rest - eth, mer - ry sing cuc - koo,
lamb, and af - ter calf . . cow; bul - lock start - eth, buck he
ewe . . bleat - eth af - ter lamb, and af - ter calf cow;

SUMMER IS A COMING IN.

- koo, well sings, well sings the cuc - - koo, Now cease thee ne - ver now,
 cuc - - koo, cuc - - koo, well sings, well sings the cuc - -
 rest - eth, mer - ry sing cuc - koo, cuc - - koo, cuc - -
 bul - lock start - eth, buck he rest - eth, mer - ry sing cuc - koo,

Sum - mer is a com - ing in, . . Loud - ly sing cuc - koo,
 - koo, Now cease thee ne - ver now. Sum - mer is a com - ing
 - koo, Well sings, well sings the cuc - - koo, Now cease thee ne - ver now.
 cuc - - koo, cuc - - koo, well sings, well sings the cuc - -

Grow - eth seed, and blow - eth mead, and spring - eth wood a - new.
 in, . . Loud - ly sing cuc - koo, loud - ly sing cuc - koo.
 Sum - mer is a com - ing in . . loud - ly sing cuc - koo.
 - koo, Now cease thee ne - ver now, cease thee ne - ver now.